

Mythology Test – 2005

1	Galatea, lover of Pygmalion, originally was a a. ship b. statue c. lamb d. horse
2	He was the father of the gods and later the gate-keeper of Elysium. Who was this Greek character whose symbol was a sickle or scythe ? a. Saturn b. Hyperion c. Cronus d. Thanatos
3	Six of these caused Proserpina to remain part-time in the Underworld? a. bottles of beauty ointment c. drinks from River Lethe b. asphodel blossoms d. pomegranate seeds
4	Ceyx and Halcyon were lovers torn apart by death. Who died and what did they become? a. Ceyx, turtle doves c. son of Halcyon, linden and oak trees b. Halcyon, kingfishers d. sister of Ceyx, nightingales
5	He was a one-sandaled man who appeared at the marketplace. He yoked fire-breathing bulls and sowed the dragon's teeth. Pelias wanted him to die on the quest. Who was he? a. Theseus b. Bellerophon c. Orestes d. Jason
6	He was not stupid – just had a bad temper. Who was this son of Alcmene who used rivers to flush out stables and a lion skin to balance the weight of the universe? a. Atlas b. Hercules c. Meleager d. Cronus
7	A daughter of Zeus and Demeter, she also was abducted by Hades and made his queen. Who was this goddess of the spring? a. Kore b. Amphitrite c. Tethys d. Hecate
8	Who were the three care-takers of Proserpina who were made bird-like to try to fly and find her? Then later they were isolated on an island singing songs to ill-fated sailors. a. Harpies b. Furies c. Eumenides d. Sirens
9	The Horn Gate and the Ivory Gate showed passage to what from the domain of Morpheus? a. Love and Hatred b. sleep c. good and bad dreams d. the sun and the moon
10	On the fateful night of the tragedy of the Trojan Horse, who was the only surviving male member of the royal house to escape the burning city? He later was a forefather of the Romans. a. Romulus b. Paris c. Aeneas d. Helenus
11	“The Wrath of Achilles is my Theme,” the poet Homer writes. Who is the source of Achilles's anger in this first book of the <i>Iliad</i> ? a. Priam b. Odysseus c. Agamemnon d. Hector
12	This hero loved and attempted to abduct many women including Hipolyta, Helen, and Proserpina. Who was this protector of the Athenian highway, and avenger of Procrustes and Sciron? a. Patroclus b. Perseus c. Theseus d. Hercules
13	Which one of the following adventures was not encountered by Ulysses? a. the Sirens b. the Harpies c. Polyphemus d. the Laestrygonians
14	She stopped her sisters the Harpies from violence between some of the Argonauts. This messenger goddess of Hera leaves a colorful trail when she travels to earth. Who is she? a. Hebe b. Proserpina c. Hesperia d. Iris
15	Merope was one of the Pleiades, and this blushing daughter of Atlas had the dimmest star in the constellation with the same name because a. She failed to murder her husband as he slept b. She married the mortal Sisyphus c. She was unfaithful to her lover Zeus d. She refused the advances of Apollo
16	What walks on four legs in the morning, two legs at noon, and three legs in the evening?

	Who asked the question, and tell who in mythology answered it. a. Sibyle of Cumae, Aeneas c. Tiresias, Odysseus b. Sphinx, Oedipus d. Electra, Orestes
17	Hercules wrestled with Thanatos for this woman and her husband. Prior to this she had volunteered to die in this husband's place. Who is this eldest daughter of Pelias of Iolchus? a. Iphigenia b. Phaedra c. Oenone d. Alcestis
18	Agave and her sisters had one drink too many. In their drunken frenzy, whom did she and her bacchant sisters tear into pieces, and which god's rites were violated by this arrogant young man? a. Pentheus, Dionysis b. Actaeon, Apollo c. Pelops, Zeus d. Pelias, Bacchus
19	She was the daughter of Menelaus and Helen. Who was she and which of two suitors won her hand after fighting over her ? a. Penelope, Odysseus b. Hesione, Pyrrhus c. Hermione, Orestes d. Iphigenia, Achilles
20	This reluctant sea-goddess pursued Poseidon, and was said to have given Theseus a golden crown to prove his kinship to Poseidon. Who was this Queen of the Seas and Oceans? a. Tethys b. Doris c. Amphitrite d. Thetis
21	Eumaeus a. gave Hercules his famous 12 labors c. was a shape-shifter who wrestled with Menelaus b. was the faithful swineherder of Odysseus d. talked to Aeneas from a bleeding bush
22	Creusa, Cassandra, and Polyxena were all a. daughters of Priam b. the three Graces c. killed at Troy d. wives or girlfriends of Achilles
23	Which of the following is not true about Peleus son of Aeacus a. He was the husband of Thetis c. He was an Argonaut b. He was the brother to Telamon d. He was killed at the Calydonian Boar Hunt
24	Clytie watched the sun god ride his chariot from dusk until dawn. The one-sided lover became a heliotrope wasting away as punishment for tattling on Helios. Into what did she turn? a. a desert b. scorpion c. sunflower d. a camel
25	Two Greek heroes tried to avoid the draft and get out of going to the Trojan War. One pretended madness by sowing salt into the sand, another cross-dressed like a girl and hid in the harem. Who were these two? a. Odysseus & Diomedes c. Odysseus & Helenus b. Odysseus & Achilles d. Achilles & Patroclus
26	She had trouble keeping a husband and killed herself with her lover's sword for abandoning her in Carthage. Who was this tragic queen who earlier had suffered the death of Sychaeus at the hands of Pygmalion? a. Arete b. Dido c. Amata d. Cassiopeia
27	Which of the following is not true about Palamades? a. He placed the infant Telemachus in front of a plow b. He was framed by Odysseus for a crime he did not commit c. He was stoned to death d. He was a spy and liar, tricking the Trojans into believing the false nature of the Trojan Horse
28	Perhaps the only man ever that was invited to Olympus by Zeus, repaid Zeus' s purifying kindness by attempting to seduce Hera. Who was this insolent man and how was he tortured in Tararus? a. Ixion, a fiery wheel b. Sisyphus, a rock c. Danaides, sieves d. Tityus, staked & eaten
29	He was the son of Night and the brother of Death. Perching in the form of a chalcis, he used his talents and distracted Zeus during the Trojan War. Who was he?

	a. Hermes b. Mors c. Nyx d. Hypnos
30	Erechtheus and Agamemnon have what in common? a. They both married sister-in-laws of their own brothers b. The sacrificed daughters to the gods c. They were killed by their wives d. They both led armies against Troy
31	His grand-father was Actor and his father Menoetius, an Argonaut. He killed Sarpedon the king of Lycia at the Trojan war, and was later killed in battle – wearing another’s armor. He was a. Palamedes b. Ajax, the minor c. Eurylochus d. Patroclus
32	Which of the following is not true about Philoctetes? a. He was deserted on the coast of Lemnos by the Greeks b. He was one of Helen’s suitors. c. He was bitten by a snake, causing a wound that would not heal d. He killed Priam
33	Hemera was born with Aether from Erebus and Nyx. She was the goddess of a. day b. twilight c. the dew d. discord
34	Deucalion and Pyrrha were the son and daughter of Prometheus and Epimetheus, respectively. They were responsible for a. causing all evils for mankind b. paying the price to Zeus to free Prometheus from bondage c. recreating people on the earth after the flood d. creating polar caps, deserts, and swans
35	Antiphates a. warned Odysseus and his crew in time to save his ship from the Laestrygonians b. was the first mate and best friend of Odysseus c. was the son of Odysseus by Circe d. was the king of the cannibal giants who destroyed most of the fleet of Odysseus
36	According to the prophecy that was fulfilled, who was the first Greek soldier and son of Iphicles to touch Trojan soil and die? a. Sinon b. Protesilaus c. Laocoon d. Androgeus
37	Cecrops was a king of Attica with a man’s body ending in a snake’s tail. What judgment did he do for Zeus? a. Naming contest of Athens between Athena and Poseidon b. First assigned, then replaced, to judge Athena, Hera, and Aphrodite of the “Fairest” c. The music contest between Pan and Apollo d. The weaving contest between Athena and Arachne
38	Sometimes known as the Parcae, their epithets included “Spinner” and “Apportioner of Lots.” Who were these three? a. Fates b. Graces c. Erinyes d. Dioscuri
39	Antinous and Eurymachus were a. Best friends, one returned and saved the others life b. Argonauts, one was a great swimmer, the other could fly c. Sons of Atreus, they married sisters d. Suitors of Helen, the first and second to be killed by Odysseus
40	In what common act did Orestes, Electra, and Pylades participate? a. They saved the Argonauts from the Lemnian Women c. They were a love triangle b. They killed Clytemnestra and Aegisthus d. They married their brothers and sisters

41	In the name of peace, order, and justice, what common name was given to Eirene, Eunomia, and Dike? a. Graia b. Horae c. Furies d. Epigoni
42	Who was visited by spirits or ghosts of his dead father, his dead wife, and his brother-in-law Hector. He was also ignored in the underworld by the spirit of his abandoned lover. a. Odysseus b. Helenus c. Priam d. Aeneas
43	Laocoon a. threw a spear at the Trojan Horse saying, “Beware of Greeks bearing gifts” b. helped the Argonauts after they freed him from the Harpies c. took Odysseus home on a Phaecian ship, against Poseidon’s wishes d. was the father of Medea and brother of Circe
44	Ascalaphus a. was a great healer in medicine b. was turned into an owl, then buried under a rock c. was the slaughtered son of Aeneas d. was an innocent young boy, killed and chopped up by Jason
45	Demophon or Demophoon a. was nursed, then later burned by Demeter b. was taught by Chiron. Demophon later defeated his master. c. was shot by Apollo, then healed by his son Asclepius d. raced Poseidon, lost the race, and became sea foam
46	This hero from Salamis fought Hector to a draw. The two heroes in respect exchanged a belt and a sword. Who is this son of Telamon who went mad and used Hector’s sword (a gift) to commit suicide ? a. Neoptolemus b. Alexander c. Orestes d. Ajax
47	She raised her veil to cover her face as a symbol of defiance to her father. Who was this young woman who was being whisked away by a man, and who was her father? a. Helen, Teucer b. Helen, Zeus c. Penelope, Tyndareus d. Penelope, Icarius
48	Actaeon, Semele, and Pentheus a. created children by affairs with gods or goddesses b. suffered gruesome deaths by witnessing things they never should have seen c. were famous hunters d. were murdered by gods after being changed into appropriate animals
49	By what private back door or service elevator did the gods enter and leave the Underworld? a. Obulus b. Omphalos c. Paladium d. Taenarum
50	A grandson of Aeolus, Endymion’s choice was a. to live half the year on the earth, the other half in Hades b. to sleep forever c. live a short life with fame, rather than a long life with none d. to be with Aphrodite for one night and then die
51	Which of the following is not true about Philoctetes? a. He was bitten by a snake, causing a wound that seemed not to heal b. He killed Paris with the bow of Hercules c. He was deserted on the island of Lemnos, cursing Odysseus above all d. He was a Trojan prince, first lover of Cassandra
52	Known as “He of the gentle touch,” which mythical figure was called Mulciber and was husband to Aphrodite? a. Mars b. Vulcan c. Adonis d. Mercury
53	Salmacis had a special connection with what or whom from Lycian Mt. Ida?

	a. the white bull b. Paris c. Camilla d. Hermaphroditus
54	Which of the following is true about Telegonus? a. He unintentionally killed Aeneas c. He was killed by Laertes b. His son with Penelope was Italus, eponym of Italy d. He was killed by Anchises
55	Leto did what while clinging to an Olive tree? She was aided by Eileithyia. a. fought with Hera c. suffered the lightning bolts of Zeus b. gave birth to twins d. hid from the dragon Python
56	The animal Arion was mothered by Demeter by which father and in what form? a. Zeus, a bull b. Poseidon, a horse c. Liber, a flowing river d. Astraeus, morning dew
57	He was an older man as an Argonaut, abandoned by them at Mysia with Hercules. This Lapith really got around, fighting against the centaurs and then in the Trojan War. Who was he? a. Polyphemus b. Calais c. Acastus d. Theseus
58	The daughter of Minyas, similar to the daughters of Cadmus, refused to worship whom and were turned into what? a. Poseidon, fish b. Dionysus, bats c. Demeter, apple trees d. Pan, goats
59	Amphitryon and Tyndareus were both a. earthly fathers of famous Greek characters c. suitors of Helen and Penelope b. grandfathers of Hector d. given special weapons by Hephaestus
60	Both Astydameia and Phaedra a. were changed into birds c. Odysseus saw as dead mothers in Hades b. lied to their husbands about being raped d. were Amazon queens with child by Hercules
61	Both Clytie and Dido a. loved male characters in Greek myth without being loved in return b. turned into plants or flowers c. were sisters from Tyre and Sidon d. died in pregnancy, having locks of their hair clipped by Iris
62	Both _____ in the <i>Odyssey</i> and _____ in the <i>Aeneid</i> leave most of the fighting and retire to the seclusion of the farm or palace. a. Mentor, Arabus b. Eumaeus, Amata c. Laertes, Latinus d. Mentis, Camilla
63	This race of creatures were offspring of Ixion and a cloud in the shape of Hera. Who were they who were later forced to Mt. Melea by Heracles? a. Chimerians b. Centaurs c. Hecatcheires d. Satyrs
64	He was a brother of Pegasus, an offspring of Poseidon and Medusa. Who was this father of Geryon, his name meaning "Golden Sword" with the epithet "Stouthearted?" a. Chrysaor b. Cratus c. Crius d. Cyzicus
65	In the war between the giants and the Olympians, who was the giant burned to death by the torches of Hecate? a. Lausus b. Ladon c. Tityus d. Clytius
66	Hyacinthus was a beautiful young man, befriended by Apollo and killed by whom? a. Apollo b. Briareus c. Zephyrus d. Artemis
67	Hera's anger caught up with Athamus, and Ino and their son paid the price when the Furies drove them mad enough to murder him. Who was this victim and how was he viewed in the madness? a. Laelaps, dog b. Learchus, deer c. Melicertes, wolf d. Sthenelus, raven
68	With either Zeus or Apollo, this clever nymph was given any wish, and she stopped the god's

	advances by wishing for virginity. Who is this daughter of Asopus? a. Sinope b. Philomela c. Perse d. Euryale
69	Fill in the following analogy connected to Hermione. Tisamenus : Orestes :: _____ : Neoptolemus . a. Molossus b. Echion c. Almus d. Tyndareus
70	She was the mother of all monsters including the Lernean Hydra, the Sphinx, and the Nemean Lion. Who was this half nymph, half speckled snake? a. Ge b. Euryale c. Stheno d. Echidna
71	Finish the following analogy. Alcmeon : Eriphyle:: Orestes : _____. a. Iphigenia b. Clytemnestra c. Hermione d. Eurydice
72	One was in the Trojan War and was a constant companion with Odysseus. The other had flesh eating mares, and was clubbed by Hercules and fed to his own horses. Both have what same name? a. Eurylochus b. Ajax c. Aias d. Diomedes
73	Who was the goat nymph who nursed the infant Zeus with her own milk? a. Lampetie b. Maia c. Amaltheia d. Melpomene
74	She was the first lover of Zeus whom he swallowed before she gave birth to their child. Who was this, with which child? a. Semele, Dionysus b. Maia, Hermes c. Metis, Athena d. Leto, Apollo
75	She was hanged with 11 other mistresses of the suitors in Odysseus's house. Who was this unfaithful servant in the household of Odysseus? a. Merope b. Melantho c. Polymede d. Alope
76	Which of the following is not true about Thersites at Troy? a. He was killed by Achilles b. He railed at Agamemnon for taking Briseis c. He advised the soldiers to go home, not to remain at Troy and make Agamemnon rich d. Odysseus tried to protect Thersites and keep him from trouble
77	Who led settlers from Arcadia to the banks of the Tiber, was a Greek ally to Aeneas, and was father of Pallas? a. Hellenus b. Nestor c. Evander d. Arabus
78	Arges, Brontes, and Steropes forged lightning and thunder for Zeus. They were a. centaurs b. gods of nature c. cyclops d. monsters in Tartarus
79	What did Glauce, daughter of Creon receive that would alter the saying to "Beware of a Colchian priestess of Hecate bearing gifts?" a. a beauty potion b. a robe c. a necklace d. a chariot with fine horses
80	She was loved by Polyphemus but was in love with the mortal Acis. Polyphemus crushed him with a great rock. Who was this sea nymph who hated Polyphemus? a. Galatea b. Nausicaa c. Thoosa d. Phorcys
81	Her son rescued this daughter of Cadmus from Hades and took her to Olympus. Her name changed to Thyone. Who were this famous son and mother? a. Hercules, Alceme b. Hermes, Maia c. Coronis, Asclepius d. Semele, Dionysus
82	One was the pilot of the Argo, the other the pilot of the flagship of Aeneas? Both died before reaching home. Who were these ill-fated sailors? a. Argus, Achates b. Tiphys, Palinurus c. Euphemus, Acestes d. Acastus, Dares
83	He was turned into stone when he tattled on Hermes for stealing Apollo's cows. a. Battus b. Ilus c. Alector d. Zelus
84	Called the Dioscuri, the Greeks named the two brightest stars in the constellation Gemini after these famous Argonauts. Who were these two who shared alternate days in Hades and Olympus? a. Agamemnon, Menelaus b. Zetes, Calais c. Romulus, Remus d. Castor, Polydeuces

85	The constellation Pavo, the Peacock, lies not far from the south celestial pole. What character in Greek myth was turned into a peacock and immortalized in the stars for not doing a good job? a. Xanthus b. Argus c. Phocus d. Cottus
86	He carved the oldest image of Cybele on a rock name Coddinus. Refusing to honor Artemis, he was driven mad by the goddess, and he threw himself into flames and died. a. Broteas b. Cilix c. Melanion d. Temenus
87	This host was inhospitable to his guests along the Athenian highway, wrestling to death his guests or killing them while they were tired afterward. Who was this infamous host, and which hero stopped him? a. Antaeus, Hercules b. Actaenon, Hercules c. Cercyon, Theseus d. Procrustes, Theseus
88	He fought against Athena in the war between the gods and the giants. How did Athena punish Enceladus? a. She left him staked to an ant hill in Hades c. She crushed him under Sicily or Mt. Aetna b. She made him an archery target d. She tore him to pieces with wild horses
89	This queen avenged her husband's rape of her sister by cutting up Itys and serving him to his father Tereus. Who was she? a. Philomela b. Procne c. Pasiphae d. Hippodameia
90	Some were called Dryads. Some were called Neries or Naiads. By what more common name were they called? a. maenads b. satyrs c. nymphs d. soothsayers
91	In the myth of Jason and the Golden Fleece what part did the sparti or spartoi have? a. these were clashing rocks that destroyed ship at the entrance to the Black Sea b. these were the husbands of the Lemnian women c. these were the hounds of Zeus harassing Phineas d. these were men sown from the dragon's teeth
92	What crew member of the Argo, wealthy with cattle and goats, shirked on a debt to Hercules for a service rendered and may have paid his life for it? a. Diomedes b. Geryon c. Augeas d. Sisyphus
93	Canens wasted away from grief. What lover was snatched away from her and by whom? a. Pierus, Aphrodite b. Echion, Aurora c. Phalerus, Iris d. Picus, Circe
94	Astraeus with Eos fathered a. Notus b. Tisiphone c. Atropos d. Erato
95	As a child he was exposed on the Arcadian mountain Parthenius, was suckled by a doe, and was brought up by shepherds. Wounded by Achilles, his unhealing wound was later healed by the rust from Achilles' spear, and he fulfilled the oracle that said he must be present at Troy in order to win. Who is this son-in-law of Priam? a. Philoctetes b. Podaleirius c. Telephus d. Polyxo
96	Erginus and Minos both extracted annual payment from the people of Thebes and Athens respectively. One of the payments was 14 youths sacrificed in the Labyrinth each year. What was the other? a. 14 youths sacrificed to the Sphinx c. 50 Theban women as wives for Hercules b. 100 oxen for twenty years d. a basket of dragon's teeth
97	Her job was to measure the span of each mortal life. Who was this Moirai? a. Briseis b. Atropos c. Lachesis d. Clotho

98	<p>His name is derived from the Greek word for wine. He introduced the art of wine growing to his people. Known for his generous hospitality, guests like Dionysus, Ares, and Hercules frequently took advantage of his hospitality, having children with his wives. Who was this organizer of the Calydonian Boar Hunt?</p> <p>a. Oeneus b. Meleager c. Alcinous d. Meges</p>
99	<p>Her name means “all gifts.” She was the bride of Epimetheus with a dowry of a jar filled with evils for mankind. It is with hope that you know this answer. Who was she?</p> <p>a. Helen b. Cassandra c. Ge d. Pandora</p>
100	<p>Mythical Math. Calculate the following and answer in Roman numerals.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take the number of eagles it took to find the Omphalos, and the center of the world • Multiply this number by the number of axe handles through which Odysseus shot an arrow • Add to this the number of eyes on Polyphemus prior to Odysseus • Subtract from this the number of Peleides • Multiply this by the total number of legs on the three people in the Riddle of the Sphinx • What is this final number? <p>a. CCCLXXVIII b. CXXVI c. CXLIV d. CLXII</p>